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Title:

RICE CONFERRING RESISTANCE TO ENVIRONMENTAL STRESS BY

TARGETING MnSOD TO THE CHLOROPLAST

DECLARATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.132

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

- I, Villoo Morawala Patell, hereby declare as follows:
- 1. I am the sole inventor for the invention described in US Patent Application No. 10/552887.
- 2. In order to certify that the deposit meets the criteria set forth in 37 CFR §§ 1.803-1.808, I further declare as follows:

During the pendency of the application, access to the transgenic rice varieties Godavari 8 and Salween 2 will be afforded to the Commissioner upon request;

all restrictions upon availability to the public will be irrevocably removed upon granting of the patent;

the deposit will be maintained in a public depository for a period of 30 years or 5 years after the last request or for the enforceable life of the patent, whichever is longer; the viability of the biological material at the time of deposit will be tested; and the deposit will be replaced if it should ever become inviable.

For each deposit made pursuant to these regulations, the specification shall be amended to contain:

the accession number for the deposit;

the date of the deposit;

a description of the deposited biological material sufficient to specifically identify it and to permit examination; and

the name and address of the depository.

I declare under the penalty of perjury of the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my information and belief.

Signed this 11th of FEBRUARY, at AMERICAL India

Dr. Villod Morawala Patell Applicant